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Dear Senator Javits:

I am pleased to reply to your communication of March 4 requesting on behalf of Mr. Guillermo Brzostowski information concerning the disappearance of his brother, Miguel Brzostowski. Congressmen Metcalfe and Rostenkowski have also inquired on behalf of Mr. Brzostowski.

I regret that the Department of State has no information concerning the whereabouts of Miguel Jacobo Brzostowski. We have referred this matter to our Embassy in Buenos Aires, however, in the hope that it may be able to provide further details.

Since Mr. Miguel Brzostowski is an Argentine national, you may wish to advise his brother to write to the Argentine Embassy, 1600 New Hampshire Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20009.

The overall problem of human rights in Argentina is distressing. While we recognize the need to control the terrorists who continue to murder businessmen, policemen and military personnel, we are bothered by the excesses which have been committed in the name of counterterrorism.

Our principal objective is, of course, to encourage human rights improvement in Argentina. We have repeatedly urged the Argentine government to restore the rule of law and will continue to do so.

The Honorable
Jacob K. Javits,
United States Senate.

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I hope this information will be helpful to you in replying to Mr. Brzostowski.

Sincerely yours,

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Assistant Secretary
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